Economic Development Committee Update May, 2019

- 1. Work is progressing on the town's application for the Downtown Development District (DDD). An initial district boundary has been discussed and is being refined. Incentives needing Commission approval are being developed by Jesse and will be brought before the Commission for a vote. Letters of support from local businesses and organizations have been pursued. Key projects within the defined district the town should consider have been discussed and will be further detailed in the report for the Commission.
- 2. The Flagpole/Memorial park area will be complete by the time of the Commission meeting.
- 3. The rocking chairs painting contest is in the final stages. The High School and Middle School have finished their chairs and they have been put in the Library where they will be on display for people to see and vote on their favorite. On May 18th there will be a presentation of the winner at the Library. The chairs will then be held until the June Fabulous Fourth Friday where they will have their 'coming out'.
- 4. One of the new town entry signs has been installed and the other delayed due to the ground being too wet. It is being rescheduled for installation.
- 5. Continuing to work with CGI Communications to create the first draft of the town's online video. The draft will be reviewed and modified where necessary. Currently, the goal is to have the film crew here for the June Fabulous Fourth Friday to film some segments of the video.
- 6. The ad for the Chambers 2019 Visitors guide is in it's final stages but due to Lynn Harmon's departure, Morning Star Publications has told us that they are waiting to see how/when to move forward.
- 7. Planning for this years Fabulous Fourth Friday's is continuing.
- 8. The EDC is considering a Memorial Brick program to go in the new Flagpole/Memorial parklet. We would offer people an opportunity to purchase engraved bricks to honor someone. The bricks would then be installed within the parklet. Several companies have been looked at for providing this service.

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